Committee for Development Policy
20th Plenary Session

United Nations
New York, 12-16 March 2018
Conference Room 6

Agenda

Closed meeting
Monday, 12 March 2018

**Session 1**  [Closed session]

10:00 – 10:45  **OPENING**

- Welcome and opening (José Antonio Ocampo, CDP Chair)
- Introduction and briefing on the work of the Secretariat and subgroups during the period April 2017-March 2018; overview of the agenda and objectives of the meeting (Roland Mollerus, CDP Secretary)
- Adoption of the agenda of the Plenary meeting (CDP Chair)

10:45 – 11:15  **INAUGURATION**

- Address by H.E. Ambassador Marie Chatardová, ECOSOC President
- Address by Mr. Lui Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

11:15-11:30  *Coffee Break*

**Session 2**  [Closed session]

11:30– 13:00  **ROLE OF THE CDP**

- CDP role in the context of the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda: Last year’s discussion (Roland Mollerus, José Antonio Ocampo)
- 2017 ECOSOC resolution on the CDP report (Teresa Lenzi, CDP Secretariat)
- Discussion

13:00 – 15:00  *Lunch break*

**Session 3**  [Closed session]

15:00-16:30  **VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEWS (VNR)**

- Presentation of the report (Sakiko Fukuda Parr, CDP Vice-Chair, on behalf of sub-group)
- Reflections (Irena Zubcevic, Division for Sustainable Development, DESA)
- Discussion

16:30-16:45  *Coffee break*
Session 4 [Closed session]
16:45-18:00 MONITORING OF GRADUATING AND GRADUATED COUNTRIES
- Presentation of the monitoring of five countries (Namsuk Kim, CDP Secretariat)
  - Angola
  - Equatorial Guinea
  - Maldives
  - Samoa
  - Vanuatu
- Discussion

Tuesday, 13 March 2018

Session 5 [Closed session]
10:00 - 11:15 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE LIST OF LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES
- Presentation by Stephan Klasen (on behalf of the sub-group) and Matthias Bruckner: Overview of inclusion and graduation procedures; Ranking of reviewed countries; Candidates for inclusion; Identification of countries meeting the graduation criteria for the first time
- Discussion
11:15-11:30 Coffee Break

Session 6 [Closed session]
11:30-13:00 TRIENNIAL REVIEW (CONTINUED)
- Presentation by Stephan Klasen (on behalf of the sub-group) and Matthias Bruckner of background and recommendations from the EGM on graduation and the triennial review for six countries found eligible for the second time
- Discussion
13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

Session 7 [Closed session]
15:00-16:30 DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS: VNR AND MONITORING OF GRADUATING AND GRADUATED COUNTRIES
- Presentation of draft recommendations (Matthias Bruckner and Namsuk Kim)
- Discussion
• Drafting and adoption of recommendations - 1 hour

16:30-16:45 Coffee break

Session 8 [Closed session]

16:45-18:00 OESC REPORTS

• Report of the Secretary-General on the 2018 ECOSOC main theme: “From global to local: supporting sustainable and resilient societies in urban and rural communities” (Mr. Eric Olson, OESC/DESA)
• Note by the Secretary-General in support of the 2018 ECOSOC thematic discussion, on the theme “Leveraging frontier technologies to build sustainable and resilient societies” (Mr. Joop Theunissen, OESC/DESA)
• Reflections, by CDP Members
• Discussion

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

Session 9 [Closed session]

10:00 - 11:15 TRIENNIAL REVIEW (CONTINUED)

• Discussion

11:15-11:30 Coffee Break

Session 10 [Closed session]

11:30-13:00 DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS: TRIENNIAL REVIEW (CLOSED SESSION)

• Presentation of draft recommendations (Matthias Bruckner)
• Discussion
• Drafting and adoption of recommendations

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

Session 11 [Open session]

15:00-16:30 LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND (OPEN SESSION)

• Overview of the work undertaken and presentation of key messages (Marc Fleurbaey on behalf of the subgroup)
• Comments by Professor Sanjay Reddy (New School)
Session 12 [Closed session]

16:45-18:00 LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND (CONTINUED/CLOSED SESSION)

- Discussion of core messages and recommendations from the work on “leaving no one behind” for the ECOSOC theme 2018, to be reflected in the CDP report to ECOSOC

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**Thursday, 15 March 2018**

Session 13 [Closed session]

10:00 - 11:30 TOWARDS IMPROVED ASSISTANCE FOR GRADUATING LDCS

- LDC GradJet graduation platform (Daniel Gay, CDP Secretariat)
- Graduating LDCs incentives package (Rolland Mollerus)
- LDCs Task force (Heidi Schroderus-Fox, Director OHRLLS)
- Comments from Inter-Agency Task Force Members
- Inputs/comments from LDC Group Chair, H.E. Masud Bin Momen, Bangladesh
- Discussion

11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

Session 14 [Closed session]

11:45-13:00 ROLE OF CDP, CDP AGENDA, THEMES AND WORK PLAN FOR 2018-2019

- Presentation by CDP Secretary
- Discussion

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch break

Session 15 [Closed session]

15:00-16:30 CDP INPUTS TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL PROCESSES AND ANY OUTSTANDING ISSUES

- Introduction: information on requests for inputs from the CDP (Marcia Tavares, CDP Secretariat)
• Discussion on inputs (Marc Fleurbaey)
• Discussion on outstanding issues

Session 16 [Closed session]

16:30-17:30  DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS: TOWARDS IMPROVED ASSISTANCE TO LDCS, ROLE OF CDP (AND ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING ISSUES)

• Presentation of draft recommendations (Roland Mollerus, CDP Secretariat)
• Discussion
• Drafting and adoption of recommendations

18:00-20:00  LDCs GRADUATION CELEBRATION EVENT
[1B GA Building TBC]

Friday, 16 March 2018

Session 17 [Closed session]

10:00 - 11:30  DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS: LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND (AND ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING ISSUES)

• Presentation of draft recommendations (Marcia Tavares, CDP Secretariat)
• Discussion
• Drafting and adoption of recommendations

11:30-11:45  Coffee Break

Session 18 [Closed session]

11:45-13:00  REMARKS FROM CDP SECRETARIAT AND DISCUSSION ON ANY OUTSTANDING MATTERS AND CLOSING (CDP Secretary)